

[19th March 1923]

Overseers in deltaic areas.

910 Q.—Mr. A. T. PALMER: Will the hon. the Law Member and the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that in the deltaic areas overseers receive from the farmers yearly 'mamools' which sometimes amount to many thousands; and

(b) what steps the Government have taken to put an end to the mamools?

A.—(a) & (b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to G.O. No. 194 W., dated 7th February 1921, which has been placed on Editors' table.

Assignment of land to ex-war service men.

911 Q.—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: With reference to Government's reply to question No. 619 at the meeting of this Council on 12th October 1921 regarding recruitment for military service, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many of the 29,000 combatants and 25,000 non-combatants have been provided with an assignment of 5 acres of wet or 10 acres of dry lands according to G.O. No. 870, Revenue, dated 14th April 1922;

(b) how many of these have since relinquished or alienated the lands, with reasons for the same; and

(c) if the Government have no information at present regarding these particulars, whether they will be pleased to call for a districtwar statement from the Board of Revenue and lay it on the table before the end of this official year?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have no information.

(c) The Government do not consider that it will be practicable to obtain the information and lay it on the table before 31st March 1923.

Food-crop cultivation scheme.

912 Q.—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased—

(i) to call for and lay on the table a districtwar statement showing the total acreage of food-crop cultivation under G.O. No. 191, Revenue, dated 24th January 1921;

(ii) to state how far the members of the depressed classes are benefited by the above free food-crop cultivation scheme; and

(iii) to state whether it is the intention of Government to extend the benefit of this experimental scheme for five more years from fasli 1333?

A.—(i) A statement is laid on the table.*

(ii) The Government have no information.

(iii) It is too soon to consider the question of further extension of the concession.